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SUBJ: 14TH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF PEDIATRICS, BUENOS AIRES,
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1. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE FOR SUBJECT CONGRESS HAS ADVISED EMBASSY THAT SOME 8000 PEDIATRICIANS, INCLUDING AT LEAST 400 FROM U.S. WILL ATTEND CONGRESS.
2. COMMITTEE WROTE TO AMBASSADOR TO REQUEST THAT BE HOST A RECEPTION FOR THE U.S. PARTICIPANTS. UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES, AMBASSADOR HAS INFORMED COMMITTEE THAT THIS WOULD REGRETTABLY NOT BE POSSIBLE.
3. IF FEASIBLE, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT. CONVEYING SUBSTANCE OF ABOVE AS WELL TO HEAD(S) OF U.S. DELEGATION. (THIS MAY BE H. BARNETT OF NEW YORK, WHO A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF INT. ASSOC. OF PEDIATRICS.) IN SO DOING, DEPT. MIGHT INDICATE THAT IT VERY DIFFICULT FOR AN EMBASSY TO ENTERTAIN SUCH LARGE GROUP OF U.S. VISITORS, AND THAT THIS NOT RPT NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PURPOSES FOR WHICH EMBASSY IS PROVIDED REPRESENTATION FUNDS. DEPT. MAY ALSO POINT OUT THAT PEDIATRICS IS ONLY ONE OF SEVERAL LARGE MEDICAL CONGRESSES BEING HELD HERE OVER SPAN OF ONLY 2 MONTHS. TO EXTENT PRACTICABLE, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT. ASKING HEADS OF U.S. DEL TO SPREAD THIS WORD AMONG OTHER U.S. PEDIATRICIANS WHO WILL BE ATTENDING.

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4. NOTWITHSTANDING ABOVE, AMBASSADOR AS FEASIBLE AND SCIATT

WOULD BE PLEASED MEET WITH FEW KEY OFFICIAL MEMBERS OF U.S. DEL, PERHAPS EVEN FOR BRIEF SOCIAL OCCASION IF SUCH CAN BE CONVENIENTLY ARRANGED. FOR THIS PURPOSE, WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFO DEPT. CAN PROVIDE TO IDENTIFY THOSE WHO MIGHT FALL IN SUCH CATEGORY AS WELL AS ANY IDEAS ALONG THIS LINE WHICH MAY OCCUR TO HEADS OF U.S. DEL.

5. DEPT. COULD ALSO INDICATE THAT, OF COURSE, EMBASSY WILL BE PREPARED TO RENDER ANY FEASIBLE ASSISTANCE IT CAN TO U.S. DOCTORS ATTENDING THIS IMPORTANT CONGRESS.
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